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TENNESSEE BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION NOW TAKING APPLICATIONS FOR UPCOMING TBI STATE ACADEMY

Nashville, Tenn. – The Tennessee Bureau of Investigation is currently taking applications for the upcoming TBI State Academy to be held at Fire Service and Codes Enforcement Academy in Bell Buckle, Tenn. The TBI State Academy is a five day a week commitment for six weeks and begins every year the week after Labor Day at no cost to applicants and includes meals and lodging.

The TBI State Academy was created as a professional and prestigious training ground for Tennessee law enforcement officers who long for the opportunity to expand their education and training in the criminal justice field. The TBI State Academy was developed with the Tennessee Bureau of Investigation's origin, tradition and mission in mind and is geared toward advancing techniques, science and strategy for the law enforcement community. A graduate of the TBI State Academy can earn nine undergraduate or six graduate semester hours toward a degree at Bethel University's College of Criminal Justice.

The TBI State Academy will expose those currently employed in the law enforcement profession to a wide array of subject's including:

- Ethics for management
- Leadership
- Statement analysis, interview and interrogations
- Constitutional Law
- Courtroom testimony and protocols
- Communications intelligence
- Online investigations, sexting and computer intrusions
- Crime scene and search warrant practicals
- Financial investigations
- Firearms competition
- Undercover investigations

TBI State Academy eligibility requirements include:

- Must have a minimum of five years experience as a full-time commissioned officer of a Tennessee law enforcement agency
- Must be at least 25 years of age
- Must have a high school diploma or high school equivalency certificate





- Must be of excellent character and have a professional reputation
- Must exhibit an interest in law enforcement as a public service
- Must agree to stay in law enforcement for a minimum of three years after graduation from the TBI State Academy
- Must have the ability to perform a limited amount of physical training
- Must fully complete the applications accurately
- Must pass a background investigation including a criminal history
- Must be nominated by the head of the law enforcement agency where currently employed

To apply:

- Download the application, nomination form and authorization to release information from the Law Enforcement Only section of the TBI website located at www.tbi.tn.gov
- Fully complete the application accompanied by a nomination form from agency head
- Send original hard copy and completed and signed package via mail to TBI Attn: Training Division
- Applicants will be notified when application is received and will be notified with an official letter if accepted

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